

Clinton Family Care Clinic no longer seeing patients

Staff Report

Some local residents feel left out in the cold after discovering the Clinton Family Care Clinic is no longer seeing patients, and hasn't been since January 8, without prior notice given to patients.

Parkway Regional Hospital announced it's impending closure in December, and though the Clinton or

Hickman Family Care Clinics were not specifically mentioned in the press release released by the hospital, phone calls from this newspaper revealed that the local clinics would also be closing as of March 31.

Last week, a notice was placed in this newspaper that said the local clinic would be closing "on or about" 12:01 a.m. on February 1.

Clinic staff said that while the

clinic will remain "open" until January 31, and patients are not being seen, that the clinic was only taking calls in order to tell patients where they might find medical care.

Further questions on Monday were directed to Kathy West in Fulton, who did not answer or return calls on Monday.

According to a staff-member at the clinic, the clinic stopped

seeing patients on January 8 and is preparing to send letters to patients with information about the retrieval of medical records.

The notice in last week's paper said that as of the effective date (defined as Feb. 1), the clinic "will no longer participate in the Medicare Program, and the related agreements with the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and

Human Services will be terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Social Security Act."

Anyone with questions regarding the notice or the clinic's closure can contact the company at (270)472-2522.

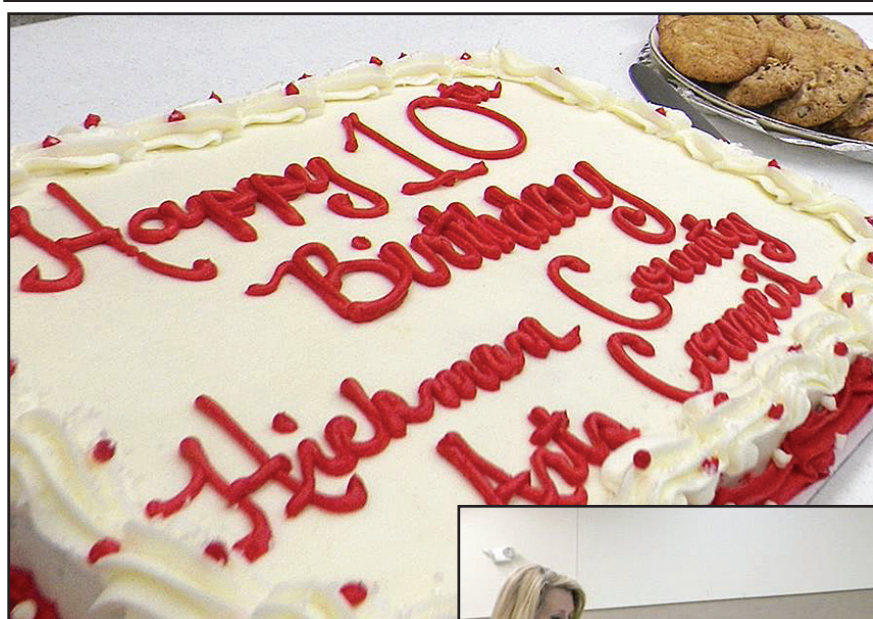
Harper honored at Arts Council celebration

Celebrating 10 years together with a dinner and cake was the focus of the Hickman County Arts Council meeting on January 13, 2015 at the FUMC Young Center. The evening included 45 supporters, friends, young and older, along with many family members sharing stories in honor of Dorothy Nell Harper. Mrs. Harper was born Dorothy Nell Jones in Livingston County, Kentucky in January 1917. Her family moved to Arlington in Carlisle County where she finished high school, and resides in Hickman County today. Mrs. Harper was nominated for Kentucky Poet Laureate and selected as the Jackson Purchase Poet Laureate.

Several guests read aloud from a number of Mrs. Harper's published poetry books, including her first poem she wrote in 1925 when she was only eight years old, "Ideas of a Boy." The evening was very special as several people read her poetry, including one from her granddaughter, Amy Harper-Hoganecamp and granddaughter-in-law, Karen Harper, along with a poem written for her by her two great-granddaughters. Students from Hickman County High School, Sherry Roberts, and Mary Potter also shared selections from Mrs. Harper's books.

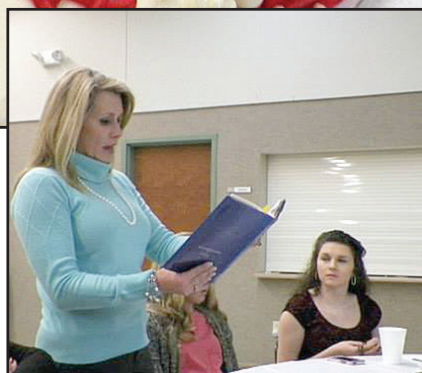
The evening ended with Mrs. Harper commenting how precious her books are to her because they "contain her soul". She also said, "it's a pleasure that God allowed me to write poems."

For more information about the Arts Council contact Ivan or Mary Potter, 270-653-3312.



Photos courtesy of Hickman County Arts Council

CELEBRATION - Shown above is Dorothy Nell Harper, right, with granddaughter Amy Harper-Hoganecamp at last Tuesday's celebration. At right, Hoganecamp takes her turn reading one of Harpers many poems. Also shown is the cake that was eaten in celebration of the Hickman County Arts Council's 10th birthday.



County tool rental nothing new

At the first meeting of the year of the Hickman County Fiscal Court, Magistrate Henry Cole questioned Road Foreman Shadd Byassee about a \$450 per month budget item for tool rental. Byassee recommended that the issue be discussed in closed session, along with personnel matters. The court agreed and nothing else was said about the matter in open session.

Byassee explained in a phone interview on Friday that the monthly rent was paid to mechanic Bart Crider, a road department employee who has a shop in Clinton, and allows the road department to use specialized tools that are very expensive if purchased. In addition to specialized diagnostic tools, the agreement gives the road department access to any of the tools in Crider's shop when needed.

Byassee said that the road department was renting tools even 14 years ago when he arrived at the department, though at a lower amount of \$250 per month. He said that the arrangement



LAW ENFORCEMENT LUNCHEON - Hickman County Attorney Jason Batts (shown above) hosted a Law Enforcement Luncheon on Friday at the Hickman County Extension Building. After lunch, Batts gave an informal presentation and discussed issues such as open records requests, arrest/search warrants, and best practices for several areas of law enforcement. Circuit Judge Tim A. Langford and District Judge Hunter Whitesell were both in attendance, as well as Fulton County Attorney Rick Major, Hickman County Judge/Executive Kenny Wilson, Clinton Police Chief Snapper Seaton, Circuit Court Clerk Cinda Yates, Deputy Clerk Amy Cunningham, KDFW Officer Denny Broyles, and other representatives from the law enforcement field.

HFRECC now considering merger with WKRECC

The Executive Committees of the West Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Board and the Hickman-Fulton Counties Rural Electric Cooperative Board met January 15 to begin exploring issues related to a possible merger of the neighboring cooperatives.

The two cooperatives, which combined provide electric service to 35,000 member-owners from Kentucky Lake to the Mississippi River, have worked together at the state and federal level on legislative and regulatory issues over the years and have shared resources when necessary to expedite outage restoration and to complete projects. With the recent resignation

of Hickman-Fulton RECC President and CEO Greg Grissom to become President/CEO of Pennyrile Electric, leadership of the two cooperatives agree that now is a good time to explore the possibility of a merger.

At the meeting, the boards authorized the completion of a joint financial study including a combined ten-year financial forecast. They also agreed that a merger would only be considered if it ultimately would save members money through economies of scale, protect local jobs—including those held by the employees of both systems, and create a better utility through the expansion

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ELK HUNT - Linda Alexander (center) is shown with her 450 pound Elk she shot back in December. Chris Powell (left) and Mike Alexander (right) accompanied Linda during her Elk hunt in Pineville.

Second-chance hunt yields Elk for Linda Alexander

Charlotte Smith

Avid hunter Linda Alexander turned a \$10 chance into the hunt of a lifetime. "Kentucky Fish and Wildlife has a quota elk hunt lottery each year and the cost to apply is \$10," she explained.

Seems simple enough, right? Well, not exactly. There are approximately 35,000 to 40,000 people from all over the United States looking to be drawn for one out of approximately 1,000 tags. Last year there were 175 bull elk and 425 cow elk tags drawn for the firearm hunts. (Last year (2013), nearly 90 percent of hunters took a bull elk during the two firearm seasons.) A hunter has the option to choose one or two out of four choices - firearm - bull or cow and archery - bull or cow.

"We actually applied for the tag on the last day," added Linda. "Our youngest daughter helped us with the application. We almost forgot to put in for the tag." The deadline is April 30.

As luck would have it, Linda received a letter in the mail the first week of May informing her that she had been drawn for a cow elk tag. "I was very surprised since the odds of being selected are

very low," she said excitedly. "I was the only tag recipient in Fulton, Hickman and Carlisle counties."

Wait, it gets better. This is her second selection.

"I was drawn for a firearm cow elk tag in 2009 but was unable to kill one," she said. "We saw a large number of elk that year and had a wonderful experience even though there was a lot of rainy weather and a snowstorm that brought down trees and blocked off most of the roads in the hunting zone." When the storm caused a power outage that lasted for over a week, the Alexanders returned home, without the chance to even shoot an elk.

With a love for the outdoors and a hunter of a variety of wildlife such as deer, turkey, squirrel, quail and pheasant, Linda is appreciative of the opportunities the state of Kentucky offers to hunters. She hunts with her husband Mike and their four daughters (Mindy Major, Amelia Prater, Allie Lusk, and Anna Powell) when they were younger, taking full advantage of what the state offers to all outdoorsmen.

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We want to hear from you!

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Zito Media complaints sought

Mayor Phyllis Campbell and the Clinton City council would like to hear from residents concerning complaints against Zito Cable, billing and customer service.

Please submit complaints in written form to the Clinton City Hall at 112 South Jefferson Street no later than January 23, 2015.

Nutrition program to hold public forum

The Hickman County Schools Nutrition Program will hold a public forum to inform and improve school nutrition and physical activities in the Hickman County School District during the January Board of Education meeting, which will be held on Thursday, Jan. 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hickman County Board of Education Building.

Come roll up your sleeve

We need blood donors on Monday, January 26, from noon until six.

This is National Donor Month, and Hickman County ranks high in our percentage of donors.

But we can always use more. Demands for blood products increase as cancer diagnoses rise, as accidents occur, as life saving blood is needed.

Come to the warm and welcoming Young Center on the 26th and add another act of kindness to your community participation in 2015.

Diet FREE program kicks off soon

Diet Free is a 8-week facilitated program for those who want to learn healthier habits in order to control or prevent many of our chronic health diseases.

Participants will meet for 1 hour each week to view a video and discuss a different habit. A tool kit will be provided free of charge to help you in your journey to good health. DeAnna Leonard, RN, BSN, LDE of the Purchase District Health Department will facilitate this class. The series will be offered at the Lunch Hour from 12:00-1:00 at the Hickman County Cooperative Extension Office. The DIET FREE series will be held every Thursday in February, starting February 5 and ending March 26. A health lunch sample will be offered to participants at each class.

Pre-Registration is required by January 29 by calling the Hickman County Extension Office at (270) 653-2231 to make your reservation or for more information. Please contact Melissa Goodman, Hickman County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences, at (270)653-2231 for more information. This program is sponsored by the Purchase Area Diabetes Connection, a coalition promoting awareness of diabetes and its health effects if left uncontrolled and hosted by the Hickman County Extension FCS Program. Educational programs of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



LADY FALCONS VISIT ROTARY

The Hickman County High School Lady Falcons basketball team visited the Clinton Rotary Club last Wednesday. Head Coach David Dixon spoke briefly about the season and the girls took turns introducing themselves. Seated from left are Anna Ferguson, Rachel Jackson, Kaylee Webb, Alexis Lumson, Vanessa Rebernak, and Hailey Dixon. Standing from left are Coach Doug Cruse, Teri Richey, Addie Bowman, Maiesha Simmons, Kaitie Woolard, Ally Samuel, Chelsea Johnson, Coach David Dixon.

Hickman Countians are recipients of KAFRC loans

FRANKFORT, Ky. - The Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation (KAFRC) approved \$686,392 in six agricultural loans for projects in the Commonwealth.

Beginning Farmer Loan Program (BFLP)

Beginning Farmer loans totaled \$358,082 and included two recipients, from Hickman and Washington counties. BFLP is designed to assist individuals with some farming experience who desire to develop, expand or buy into a farming operation. Beginning farmers may qualify

for financing to purchase livestock, equipment or agriculture facilities; to secure permanent working capital; for the purchase of farm real estate; or to invest in a partnership or LLC.

Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program (AILP)

Four Agricultural Infrastructure loans were approved for \$328,310 and included recipients from Carlisle, Mercer, Taylor and Woodford counties. Through AILP, KAFRC participates with lenders to provide financing

to producers making capital expenditures for agricultural projects. Eligible projects include permanent farm structures and permanently attached equipment that enhance the profitability of the farming operation.

The next deadline for loan applications is Friday, Jan. 23, 2015.

For more information on the programs offered by the KAFRC, contact Bill McCloskey, director of financial services, at 502-564-4627 or visit the KAFRC webpage at kafc.ky.gov.



Red Ladder Antique Mall holds grand opening

You can buy antiques at auctions, shops, shows, online, and now in Cunningham, Kentucky at the Red Ladder Antique Mall. Entrepreneurs Larry and Delissa Fraser held a Grand Opening of the Mall on Saturday, January 10, 2015. Larry, a life-long antiquing authority, is a regular traveler to the Nashville Flea Market hunting and shopping for the ideal antique and bargain. Visit the Mall on Saturdays (9am-5pm) until the Spring at 32 County Road 1015, Cunningham, KY 42035, right behind the Hardware Café across from Nancy's This N That Shoppe.

The Antique mall is a lot like a permanent indoor flea market. The merchandise is owned by different sellers, and each vendor arranges and prices their goods in an individual booth space. Expect to find lots of vintage and repurposed pieces, and don't be surprised if you spot some new trending items. A great place to find furniture, lighting, accessories, wood pieces, trunks, and much more -- and the prices are still less than buying new.

Inside the Mall find vendors like Red Ladder Antiques owned Larry & Delissa, Ken & Jennifer Barriger with Kentucky Heritage, Shana Ashley with The Preacher's Daughter Antiques & Collectibles, Andrea Gill with Pixie Chicks, Kar-



Red Ladder's proud owners Larry and Delissa Fraser bring antiquing to Cunningham.



la Hogancamp & Robin Mott with Posie & Lillie's, Jeremy Larkins with 50's & 60's Vintage, and Fanetta Puckett with Vintage 1015.

Painting technique classes, décor and repurposing workshops are being planned by artisans and vendors with future outdoor activities to be scheduled as soon as the weather permits. Follow Red Ladder Antique Mall on Facebook or questions call Larry at 270-619-5149.

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"They are all grown now but we used to take them hunting all the time," they both said. "We have even hunted in other states including Iowa and Kansas, but we love hunting in our home state."

Once a hunter is selected they must choose a zone in which to hunt and they are also assigned a one-week hunting season. The bull elk firearm hunt is two different weeks in October (during mating season) and the cow elk firearm hunt is two weeks in December.

There are five zones and Linda was assigned the Straight Creek zone outside Pineville, which included a lot of public hunting area made up of reclaimed coal mining land. Linda's week to hunt was December 13 through December 19.

With the terrain being very different in those mountainous counties, the Alexanders asked their son-in-law Chris Powell to accompany them to help with scouting and possibly retrieving an elk.

"The walking is mostly up or down mountain sides," she said. "Access to the areas is usually narrow dirt or gravel roads formed when mining was active. Much of the area is still being mined."

During Linda's hunt, Chris was also scouting for bear. "He had a bear tag for a three day hunt and it was also muzzle load hunting for buck deer," explained Linda. "We saw bear tracks, but did not get to see a bear."

Linda's hunt began on a Saturday so the Thursday and Friday before they scouted where to hunt, selecting an area to hunt in close to where Tim Langford hunted last year. "He won a tag during last year's lottery and Shannon Waltmon's wife also won a year or two before Linda's 2009 hunt," said Mike. "Tim didn't get one and Shannon's wife injured her back and didn't get to go on her hunt."

Linda, Mike and Chris hunted from Saturday until Monday without seeking elk. "There were a lot of signs that elk had been there," Linda said. "They have become much more elusive in recent years due to increased hunting."

Approximately 1,566 elk from the Western states were released on to reclaimed strip mines in eastern Kentucky back in 1997 when the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources teamed up with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and the Shikar Safari Club. Elk numbers have grown to about 10,000 the largest herd east of the Mississippi River.

Elk do have daily habit patterns, which include a travel route that will provide the elk with a feeding location, source of water, and bedding area. An individual herd of elk may stay within one square mile area for several weeks if undisturbed. They may also move 15 miles

overnight without warning or disturbance.

On Tuesday, Dec. 16, four days into Linda's seven-day hunt, they obtained the assistance of a young man in the area. "Ryan Collett, a scout whose grandfather we had met rabbit hunting the day before the season began, became our scout," Linda noted.

Two more days and still no elk.

On Thursday, the day before the last day of Linda's hunt, and the end of the season, Ryan spotted a herd with about eight elk across a mountain. "We were able to get within about 240 yards and I was able to get a shot across a valley and kill a cow elk!" she exclaimed. "I shot it with a 270 short mag rifle." Elk are larger than deer so they require a large caliber bullet.

Linda hit the cow elk, which was brought in from Utah as a calf and released in 2001. "The cow elk I hit had stayed close to where she had been turned out, staying in the same general area of her release," Linda added. "She weighed about 450 pounds."

Once the cow elk is down, the hunter now has the task of getting her loaded and dressed. "We were fortunate enough to be able to get close enough with the truck to be able to field dress her and the four of us got her in the truck."

Cool weather aided them as snow began to fall and Linda was able to enjoy her second chance hunt. "It was definitely a hunt of a lifetime," she reiterated. "It was enhanced by the people in the area who were so helpful and friendly. I thank God that he continues to give us second chances."

Since returning home to Fulton County the Alexanders have had the elk meat processed, taking it to a beef processor. "It is similar to beef, but sweeter," said Mike. "It is a lot leaner than beef."

Linda has made elk chili and even fried elk tenderloin, which they have shared with their family.

Elk are native to Kentucky, but were wiped out in the state by the late 1800s due to overhunting and habitat loss. Now, visitors have excellent opportunities to see these regal creatures that are once again part of Kentucky's landscape. Kentucky's elk population is going strong and hunting success rates are higher east of the Mississippi River than practically anywhere else.

Elk viewing tours take place most weekends in January, February, and March. The tours are offered by the Kentucky Department of Parks.

Editor's Note: Information for this article was obtained from Kentucky Living, January 2015; Kentucky Afield, Fall 2014; and Ky Fish and Wildlife website. Refer to page 8 for Harvest Results for 2014-15/.

RECC

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of resources and expertise.

West Kentucky RECC Board President Troy English said, "The meeting was informative and provided the opportunity for both boards to learn more about each cooperative and to discuss the potential benefits of a merger. We look forward to working with Chairman David Kimbell and the Hickman-Fulton Counties Board as we study the value of a combined cooperative."

Hickman-Fulton County RECC Board President David

Kimbell agreed that it was a very informative meeting for both boards. "Our board wants to study all options as we move forward in deciding the future of our co-op for our members and employees," Kimbell said. "Any decision for a merger has to benefit the members of both merging co-ops."

Hickman-Fulton Counties RECC earlier announced that they have entered into a similar merger study with Gibson Electric Membership Corporation in Tennessee.

Tool Rental

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is a common practice for mechanics with specialized tools.

Hickman County Judge/Executive Kenny Wilson said

that in his opinion, Crider is the best mechanic in the county.

"I know there are some good ones," he said Friday morning, "but I think Bart is the best."

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Community News

Area Obituaries

Patsy Eddleman

Patsy Brantley Eddleman, 75, of Paducah, Ky., formerly of Clinton and Morganfield, Ky. died Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

She was a schoolteacher and retired from Hickman County High School after 20 plus years.

Surviving are one daughter, Kizar Eddleman Luckett of Hendersonville, Tenn.; one son, Rob Eddleman of Cunningham, Ky.; one brother, Don Brantley of Houston; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother. Her parents were Thomas and Jewel Brantley.

Graveside services were at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16 at Odd Fellows Cemetery in Morganfield, with Rev. David Oaks officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hickman County Alumni Scholarship Fund, 301 James H. Phillips Drive, Clinton KY 42031, Attn: Amy Boaz, or to the American Cancer Society.

Whitsell Funeral Home in Morganfield was in charge of arrangements.

Thomas Lindsey

Thomas Leroy Lindsey, 88, of Bardwell, Ky. died at 1 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, Ky.

He was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church and was a United States Army veteran of the WWII and Korean Conflict. He worked in the parts department for Nissan Forklifts and as a trucker for Dixie Transport.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Chandler Lindsey; one son, Steven L. Lindsey of Nashville, Tenn.; one sister, Frieda E. Beasley of Winchester, Ky.; one brother, James Edward Lindsey of Beulah, Ky.; two grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sisters; and two brothers. His parents were Roy and Audie Mae Lindsey.

Services were at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 15 at Milner & Orr Funeral Home in Bardwell. Rev. Gaylon Bruer officiated, with burial in Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery with military honors.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to Shiloh Sunshine Center, 1870 county Rd. 1129, Arlington KY 42021.



Project Grad raffle

Project Grad is selling raffle tickets for a T-shirt quilt. Tickets are \$5.00, also they still have cookbooks. Contact Perry Collins for information,

UK Dean’s List

Three University of Kentucky students from Hickman County are on the Dean’s List. Those students are: Alex Allen, Ryan Harpole, and Joseph

Hickman County Conservation Board will meet January 22

The Hickman County Conservation District, Board of Supervisors, will meet Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015 ,7:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the USDA Service Center, 205 State Route 123 West, Clinton, Ky.

The public is invited to attend.

Steve Baldree

Steve Baldree, 62, of Boaz, Ky. died at 8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, 2015 at Barkley Center.

He was of the Baptist faith and retired as a mechanic from Illinois Central Railroad.

Surviving are his wife, Janice Garrison Baldree; three daughters, Trinia Baldree of Paducah and Tessa Baldree and Alicia Hunt, both of Boaz; one son, Mark Baldree of Paducah; two stepdaughters, Janet Nicholas of Clinton, Ky. and Stephanie Caldwell of West Paducah; one stepson, Mark Dowdy of Clinton; three sisters, Ronnie Nanney of Ledbetter, Barbara McGuire of Paducah and Penny Katschke of Calvert city; one brother, Michael Joe Baldree of Ledbetter; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Wendy Rae Baldree; one brother; and one sister. His parents were Harry Baldree Jr. and Lois Thompson Baldree.

Private graveside services were held by the family at Zion Cemetery in Hickman County.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to American Cancer Society, 3140 Parisa Drive, Paducah KY 42003.

Milner & Orr Funeral Home in Lone Oak was in charge of arrangements.

Robert Taylor

Robert Earl Taylor, 72, of Benton, Ky. died at 12:08 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015 at his home.

He was a past deacon and member of First Baptist Church in Benton, Ky. He was former owner of Collier Funeral Home in Benton and past president of West Kentucky Funeral Director Association, former board member of Kentucky Funeral Director Burial Association, a 50-year member of Kentucky Funeral Director Association and 50-year member of T.L. Jefferson Masonic Lodge in Benton, past Marshall County Deputy Corner and a Kentucky Colonel.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda Daugherty Taylor; one daughter, Debbie (Craig) Simpson of Carterville, Ill.; one son, Barry Dean Taylor of Benton; two grandsons, Taylor Crider of Carterville and Cody Taylor of Benton; one sister, Barbara Hunt of Port Orange, Fla.; one brother James Barton “Jimmy” (Vicky) Taylor of Cadiz, Ky.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Doreen Taylor of Clinton, Ky.; and grandparents, Olen and Mary Taylor and James and Mary Barton.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20 at Collier Funeral Chapel. Bro. Joel Frizzell and Bro. Mark Doom will officiate, with burial in Benton Cemetery.

Family request memorials be made to First Baptist Church Building Fund, PO Box 381, Benton KY or Lourdes Hospice, PO Box 7100, Paducah KY 42002-9961.

Local residents graduate from University of the Cumberland

In December, 561 students completed their studies and were graduated from University of the Cumberland (UC). Lisa Ferguson of Clinton, KY earned undergraduate and Marcia Harpole of Clinton, KY earned a graduate degree.

Lisa Ferguson was named to Cumberland’s President’s List. To be eligible, students must have achieved a grade of “A” in convocation while maintaining a minimum cumulative scholastic standing a 4.00.

Second Baptist Church News

By Teresa Walton Pearson

January 18

We had a wonderful week of unexpected Revival last week as the Lord kept moving each night inspiring Bro. Dustin to add nights through the entire week. Now we have 15 welcome baskets to fill and 8 to be baptized. God is moving in Second Baptist Church - Come See!

John Hill gave the Sunday School devotion by talking about it being Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. He used Ezekiel 16: 1 – 20. He asked does the unborn baby have rights? Verse 20 says “Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me, and these hast thou sacrificed unto them to be devoured.”

Susie sang “One Day At A Time” Doug Fisette and granddaughter sang “Thank You Jesus For Loving Me” and Ryker Cagle sang “Midnight Cry”

Bro. Dustin’s message was from Acts 19: 13 - 20. Who are You? Verse 15 says And the evil spirit answered and said, “Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?”

He said last week we had eight people saved and several were already church members who thought they were saved because they went forward to an altar before, but if you were not drawn by the Holy Spirit and accepted Jesus into your heart, then Who Are You? - You are lost without Christ. Bro. Dustin

said “A lot of people need to take out the trash” confess your sins to God and then take them out to the trash, burn them and never bring them back in. Getting saved should change your life.

Sunday Night we had six of the eight baptized, the other two will be next Sunday night when we will have 4th Sunday Night Singing and a Mexican supper. Everyone is invited. Bro. Dustin’s message was from John 3: 12 - 21 Childlike Faith. Verse 17 says “might be saved” your choice we are given freewill. You have the opportunity to trust in Jesus and not be condemned to hell. Accept Him today!

Please pray for: Teen Garrison, Dorothy and Bud Brady, Thomas Dublin, Jim Schooley, Cynthia Walton, Dorothy Hoskins, Bud & Mary Jane Martin, Monty Clark, Jimmy Johnson, Deloris Spurlin, Dorothy Rogers, Edna Roper, Billy Lamb, Rocky James, Emma Barkley, JL Feezor, Bill Carter, Josephine Shadwick, Helen Holmes, Josh Harpole, Austin Upshaw, Mildred Morrison, Eloise Harrison.

At Second Baptist we believe that “everybody is somebody and Jesus is everything.”

Visitors are always welcome at Second Baptist Church. Sunday School starts at 10 a.m. Worship service is at 11a.m. Sunday night worship service is at 6 p.m. Wednesday night 7 p.m. Pastor Bro. Dustin Cunningham.

SENIOR CHATTER

by Rhonda

Oh what a beautiful morning, oh what a beautiful day! I know everyone is happy to see the sun and soak up some much needed Vitamin D! The flu bug has been in full force, exactly what we all need, SUNSHINE!

Want to take advantage of the nice weather come to the Senior Center for fellowship and fun. Even better join us for a delicious lunch prepared by Jetty and Amy served at 11 AM daily. We would love to see your smiling faces and fill this Center to over flowing!

Few changes in the schedule for the E-Learning Center! We will continue having the computer lab open though our normal business hours , Monday through Friday 8AM-4PM.

Our new evening hours for the E-Learning Center will be Monday and Thursday evening ONLY 4PM-7PM - Saturday 9AM-1PM. There are computer monitors on site to assist you.

Speaking of computers we would like your input on offering a basic computer skills class so we can plan around a class soon! Do not forget to come by the Center for our monthly fund raising event “Potato Day” Thursday January 22, 2015. Donations are always welcome and greatly appreciated!

Menu
Tuesday January 20 - Thick

& juicy steak, mashed potatoes, brown gravy,spinach,whole wheat roll, ambrosia, skim milk
Wednesday January 21 - Baked ham, baked sweet potato, green beans, whole wheat roll, fruit cup, skim milk

Thursday January 22 - Chili Con Carne, Baked Potato, saltine crackers,, tossed salad, chocolate pudding

Friday January 23 - Pork roast ,pinto beans, turnip greens, corn bread, pineapple cheesecake, skim milk

Monday January 26 -Beef pot roast, mashed potatoes, squash & tomatoe casserole, whole wheat roll, pears & raisins, skim milk

Activities

Monday January 19 - Center Closed

Tuesday January 20 - 10:00 Regina Elliot - Regional Home Care- Health News & Blood Pressure Clinic 10:30 Walking

Wednesday January 21 - 10:00 Rev. Eugene McDonald - 10:30 Walking- 11:30 Music By The Jammers

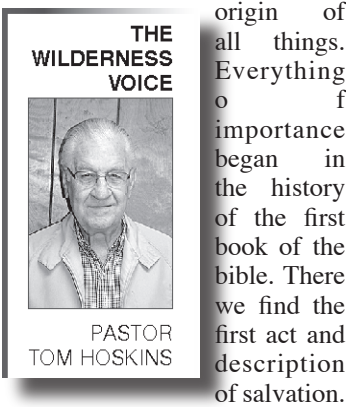
Thursday January 22 - 10:00 Lana Livigni - Lifeline home care - 10:30 Walking

Friday January 23 - 10:00 Morning Stretch -10:30 Walking - 12:00 Shop Around Town

Monday January 26- Walking That’s all folks! Have a blessed week

VITAL VERBS

“God made coats of skins and clothed them” (Gen. 3:21). Genesis means beginning or



origin of all things. Everything o f importance began in the history of the first book of the bible. There we find the first act and description of salvation. Having sinned, Adam was running and hiding from God. He and Eve made aprons, a covering of fig leaves to hide their nakedness and sin (v7), Evil men have been hiding from God every since (John 3:19), and religious men sew their fig leaves. It is vanity.

It is here, in Genesis, we find what is called precedent. That is, a preface, an order, that which introduces or establishes a standard for subsequent actions. A precedent, the first act of saving grace, the removal of the sin barrier between God and man—the making of sinful man righteous. Note these verbs; God made, God clothed,” and what did Adam and Eve do? Absolutely nothing! They stood there and received the salvation of the Lord. Grace! It is all here in Gen. 3:21.

These two fearful, sinful people in the presence of holy God dare do nothing but stand in awe and behold the salvation of God. Dear soul, quit running, hiding, trying and stop, look and listen to the voice of God in Jesus Christ. God is still saving souls

Beelerton Buzz

By Tammy Byrd

We enjoyed the warmer temperatures over the week-end.

Happy birthday wishes to Charlie Byassee on the19th, Ruby Lee and Sandy Whitlock on the 23rd; Travis Bizzle, Sandra Vaughn, Mark Batts and son Eric Batts on the 25th; Justin House on the 26th, and to Carolyn Bugg and Mike Hancock on the 27th. May you all have a wonderful day!

The Wesley Church family has started a Bible Study in the book of Luke on Tuesday of each week beginning at 4 pm. The Mt Zion’s yearly Valentine’s Day Banquet church get-together held at Southern Red’s in Pilot Oak will be on Monday, Feb 16 at 6 pm. This includes Bayou De Chain, Wesley and Mt. Zion members. Anyone interested in attending may call Linda Lawrence or Katie Beck as reservations are made in advance.

I found this short story, I thought worthy to share. The carpenter I hired to help me restore an old farmhouse had just finished a rough first day on the job. A flat tire made him lose an hour of work, his electric saw quit, and now his pickup truck refused to start. While I drove him home, he sat in silence. On arriving, he invited me in to meet his family. As we walked toward the front door, he paused at a small tree touching the tips of the branches with

both hands. When opening the door, he underwent an amazing transformation. His face was wreathed in smiles and hugs for his children and he greeted his wife with a kiss. Afterward he walked me back to my car. As we walked passed the tree, my curiosity got the better of me. I asked him about what I had seen him do earlier. “Oh, that’s my trouble tree, I know that I can’t help having troubles on the job, but troubles don’t belong in the house with my wife and children. So I just hang them up on the tree every night and then in the morning I pick them up again. Funny thing is, when I come out in the morning to pick them up, seems like there aren’t nearly as many as I remember hanging up the night before.”

Our prayer concerns include Brian Polsgrove, JC Jackson, Roger Douglas, Susan (LaDonna Stearns daughter), the lost, nursing home residents, upcoming Puerto Rico mission trip, our nation and leaders, and our military. Our Christian sympathy to the family of Martha “Louise” Hancock Jeffress of St. Charles, Mo. Her siblings included Ruth, Mildred, Helen Hall, Charles and Ray Hancock. Laura Hall Dodd is a surviving niece. Also sympathy to the family of Wendall Holly. May God comfort you during this time of sorrow.

Have a blessed week!

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*Mobile homes that have been bought, traded or relocated should be reported. Make, model, year, and size are necessary information required to make accurate valuation.

Homestead Exemption

Any homeowner who will be 65 years of age during the year that has title to, lives in, and maintains their personal residence in Hickman County should stop by the Property Valuation Office to sign up for the Homestead Exemption. If you have already signed up, there is no need to call or fill out another application unless you have moved to a new location. The exemption for the 2015 year is \$36,900.

Tangible Property

All BUSINESS ENTITIES owning, leasing, or having a beneficial interest in taxable tangible property which is located in Kentucky on January 1 must file a Tangible Property Tax Return. This would include items such as Merchant’s inventories, Manufacturing Machinery, Construction and Office Equipment, Shop Tools, etc.. Car dealers must submit an itemized list of automobiles in their inventory.

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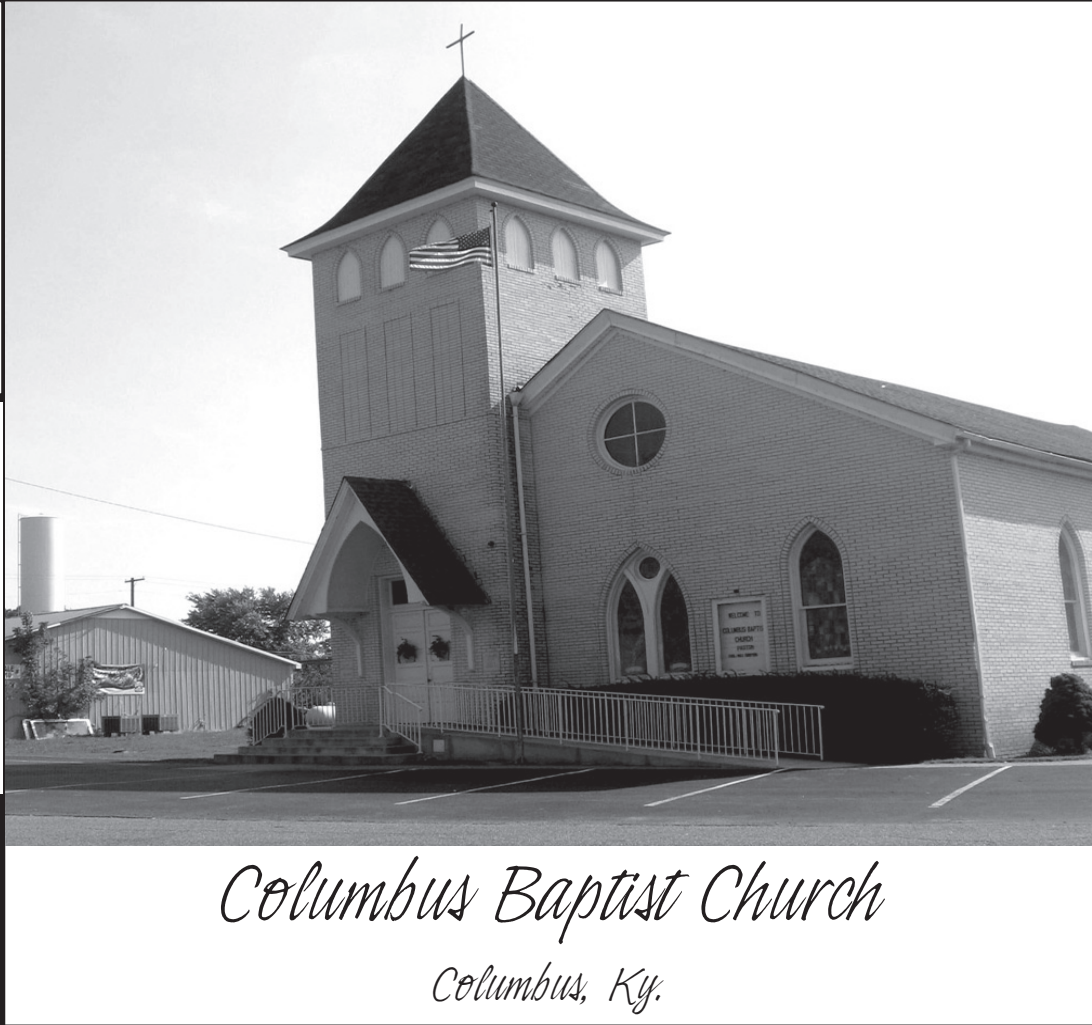
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Anne Karpf, who wrote the book, How to Age, said in a recent New York Times Opinion Article: “Ageism has been described as prejudice against one’s future self. It tells us that

age is our defining characteristic and that, as midnight strikes on a milestone birthday, we will become nothing but old - emptied of our passions, abilities and experience, infused instead with frailty and decline.”

Be that as it may, a number of recent studies have shown that the older folks among us are happier and more content than those youthful offenders, says

AMAC.

As Karpf, who is 64, put it: “old people simply care less about what others think, but also, I think, that our sense of what’s important grows with age. We experience life more intensely than before, whatever our physical limitations, because we know it won’t last forever.”

Area Announcements

The Mission House distributes CSFP (Cheese) Commodities monthly to Hickman County residents who are 60 years or over, meet the income guidelines, and are pre-registered. Pick up dates are Thursday & Friday after the third Tuesday of each month.

Every Monday:

- AA meets at 8 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Clinton.

First Monday:

- Masonic Lodge 131 F&AM meets the first Monday night of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Second Monday:

- Library Board meets the second Monday at the library at 4.
- The Hickman Co. Arts Council will meets the fourth

Monday of each month at 4 p.m. at the Young Center. The public is invited to attend. www.hickmancoarts.com.

Every Wednesday:

- 7 a.m.- Community Prayer Service at First United Methodist Church.

Every Wednesday and Saturday:

- The Hickman Co. Museum is open every Wednesday from 1 - 4 p.m..
- Hickman Co. Memorial Library Open Tuesday through Friday from 2-5 p.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Hickman Co. Board of Education normally meets the third Thursday of every month
- Clinton City Council meets first Monday of the month at 6

p.m. at Clinton City Hall and Columbus City Council meets at 6 p.m., the first Monday of the month at Columbus City Hall.

- The Mission House is open Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and first Saturday of the month.
- The Hickman Co. Historical and Genealogical Society Center is open Wednesday & Saturdays from 1-4 p.m. For appointment, call LaDonna Latham at 653-4190 or Norma Gene Humphreys at 653-6208
- Hickman County Fiscal Court will meet Thursday, February 12 at 6 p.m.in the County Judge Executive office.

ORDINANCE 2015 – 1
ORDINANCE RELATING TO ELECTRICAL INSPECTION FEES
WHEREAS, the Hickman County Fiscal Court desires to ensure the safety and security of residences and buildings and has asserted its right to regulate the installation and operation of electrical wiring, appliances and apparatus devised in or about buildings in Hickman County pursuant to its authority under KRS Chapter 227;
Now therefore be it ordained and adopted by the Hickman County Fiscal Court that the fee for electrical inspections shall be as follows:
Residential Inspection Fee Schedule
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Commercial Inspection Fee Schedule
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Electrical Permit \$20.00
The ordinance relating to electrical inspection fees was considered at the January 8, 2015 meeting of the Fiscal Court of Hickman County, Kentucky at 6:00 p.m. in the Office of the Judge Executive of Hickman County, 116 S. Jefferson Street, Clinton, Kentucky. The first reading of the Ordinance was held on January 8, 2015. The second reading of this Ordinance is scheduled for February 12, 2015, 6:00 p.m. A copy of the Ordinance is available for public inspection at the Office of the Judge Executive of Hickman County, 116 S. Jefferson Street, Clinton, Kentucky, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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PURPOSE
The Obion Creek Watershed Board is accepting bids for 3 yrs. for the mowing/spraying of the following structures, please submit separates bids for each structure.

SRS #28, 35, 37, 40, 44, 46, 47	Graves County
SRS # 24	Carlisle County
FRS # 2, 10, 20, 22	Graves County
FRS # 16, 24	Hickman County
FRS # 36	Carlisle County

BID DOCUMENTS
Obtainable from the Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District Headquarters, located in the Hickman County USDA Service Center Building in Clinton, Ky., 205 State Route 123 West, on or after January 16, 2015 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

BID DATE
The opening date has been set for March 10, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. Regular meeting, at the Headquarters of the Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District, located on Hickman County, USDA Service Center Conference Room, 205 State Route 123 West, Clinton. Ky. 42031.

CONDITIONS OF BID
1. All bids will be received by 3:30 p.m. March 6, 2015 at the Headquarter of the Obion Creek Watershed Conservancy District, located in the Hickman County, USDA Service Center, 205 State Route 123 West, Clinton, Ky.
2. Owner reserves the right to refuse any and all bids submitted.
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PURPOSE
The Obion Creek Watershed Board is accepting hourly rate bids for a contractor for the calendar years 2015,2016,2017 for the following:

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PURPOSE
The Obion Creek Watershed Board is accepting bids for a 3 yrs. Maintenance Contractor for calendar year 2015, 2016, 2017 for the following structures and Obion Creek that flows through Carlisle, Fulton, Hickman, and Graves Counties.

SRS # 28, 35, 37, 40, 44, 46, 47	Graves County
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Mrs. Blalock 4th Grade Coleson Naranjo* Bayleigh Basch Abbi Clark Ellie Davis Christian Edging Allie Gordon Anna Howell Damien Ray Kendall Toon	Logan Norwood McKenzie Wilber Mr. Boaz 5th Grade Drew Davis* Micah Naranjo* Emma Swift* Paidyn Burgess Zachary Clinard Emily Johnson Laurnyn Lupton Abbie Nanney Halle Spillman	Garrett Ward* Shelby Johnson* Gracie Black Victoria Dade Ravaeh Burdick Kierstyn Copeland Kelreiah Irons Mrs. Bizzle 6th Grade Jenna Moore* Kadey Grace Wilkey* Eli Armbruster Bella Batts Jake Brittain Will Clark Jason Hayden Trent Perry Kathryn Stahr
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Miss Riley 4th Grade Graham Carroll* Rachel Conner Kate Cravens Aubrey House	Mr. Trussell 5th Grade	



Hickman County hosts First District
Governor's Cup competition

The state annual academic competition, the Governor's Cup, kicked off this past week at Hickman County High/Middle School. The event consists of two team competitions, Future Problem Solving and Quick Recall, and six individual academic assessments: Mathematics, Language Arts, Composition, Science, Social Studies, and Arts and Humanities. Fulton Independent competed against four other school districts: Ballard, Carlisle, Hickman and Fulton counties. Students are allowed to compete in a maximum of three events. The Future Problem Team and Composition students competed on Tuesday, Jan. 13, with Fulton County taking home the Future Problem Solving honors. Fulton Independent placed second. Ballard County's Quick Recall team won a closely fought battle against Carlisle County. Fulton Independent was third, followed by Hickman County, fourth. Hickman County Written Assessment winners included the following: English Language Arts: Charity Shelton, third, and Hannah Carroll, fifth. Overall scores placed Ballard County first with 42 points, Fulton County with 39 points, Carlisle County with 19 points, Fulton Independent with 18 points, and Hickman County with 6 points. First District winners next travel to Paducah Middle School for Region One competition in late January.

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BUSINESS
News & Review

Roberts Crop Ins.
focuses on service

Tommy Roberts has been selling crop insurance for 35 years, and it that time he has learned that the secret to success in the industry is providing great service to customers. "Every farming operation is different, and has different insurance needs," he said. Roberts can effectively service the individual needs of his customers because he knows how they operate. He's been on their farms and he knows their financial situations. He understands that younger farmers have different needs than more established farmers, and that farms closer to the river have different needs than those farther inland.

In 1998, Roberts opened his own insurance agency: Roberts Crop Insurance. His office started out on the west side of the court square in Clinton before moving into the Yates Building at 308 South Washington Street, where it is today. He continued to work as a sales representative at Agri-Chem until shifting his focus to selling crop insurance full-time in 2009. "I could tell that the industry was getting more and more complicated," he said last Wednesday in a presentation to the Clinton Rotary Club. "I knew I would have to make the transition to full-time."

Roberts Crop Insurance has policies in 11 counties in Kentucky and Tennessee. Those policies range from grains to cotton to tobacco, with the bulk of his policies focusing on corn, wheat, and soybeans. Roberts' office is staffed by Kristy Stahr, who he says is invaluable to his operation. Roberts has also served for multiple terms on the Hickman County Fiscal Court and served as chairman of the board of directors for Hickman County Economic Development Authority, Inc. Roberts is retiring at the end of 2014 from his positions on the fiscal court and the HCEDA board, but has no plans to retire from his work in crop insurance.



Tommy Roberts, owner of Roberts Crop Insurance, with Kristy Stahr, office assistant.

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SPORTS

Falcons dominate Christian Fellowship after dropping three

Daniel Richardson

The Hickman County Falcons went on a three game slump last week before dominating Christian Fellowship Saturday in the 1st Region All "A" Classic with a 64-15 blowout.

Prior to Saturday's win, the Falcons fell to Dresden, Tenn. 48-40 on Monday, Murray 80-47 on Tuesday, and narrowly fell to visiting Fulton City 51-49 on Thursday.

The most recent games dropped the Falcons' season record to 5-13 overall and 1-3 in District 1.

The Falcons travel to Mayfield on Tuesday to play Ballard Memorial in the All "A" Classic. Tuesday's game will be the first of five straight road games and the Falcons will not play on their home court until they host McCracken County on February 3.

They will go to Livingston Central on Monday, Jan. 26, Ballard County on Jan. 27, Fulton City on Jan. 30, and South Fulton, Tenn. on February 2.

The Lady Falcons continue to struggle, as losses to Dresden, Fulton City, and Mayfield last week lowered their record to 1-12 overall, 0-4 in District 1. The Lady Falcons are set to travel to Livingston Central on Jan. 26, Ballard Memorial on Jan. 27, and Fulton City on Jan. 30. Saturday's loss to Mayfield was the first of seven straight road games for the Lady Falcons, who will not play again in Hickman County until their February 6 contest against Fulton County.



Photos by Kinsey Lock

Above, Jordyn Naranjo puts up a shot against Fulton City on Thursday night. Naranjo had seven points in the district loss. At right two Lady Falcons challenge a Fulton City player for possession.



Photos by Jenna Smith

The Hickman County Junior Falcons dominated the Fulton County Junior Pilots last Tuesday night, while the Junior Lady Falcons lost narrowly 30-22. The seventh grade boys won 43-26 over the seventh grade Pilots.



Alec Spillman, above, and Kaylee Webb, below, were named the Clinton Bank Players of the Month on last week's game against Fulton City. Spillman and Webb are shown with Teresa Dowdy of Clinton Bank.



Shown from left are Abbi Jo Clark, Anna Davis, and Ellie Davis.

Youth 4- H Sewing Program

The primary goal of the Kentucky 4-H Sewing program is to teach youth about the art and skills of creating useful items using needle and thread. This includes not only the use of a hand needle and thread, but the sewing machine as well. Sewing can be used to create clothing and wardrobe essentials, as well as, useful items for daily living.

Equally important to teaching youth skills they can use throughout their lives is the goal of encouraging critical thinking and creativity. Clinical studies have found that students who learned to sew a simple project showed elevated creativity after the activity. One study concluded that "children who sew today may have a real edge in the high-tech service economy of tomorrow where creative, flexible worker will be in high demand." (Home Sewing Association, Guidelines Sew Creative!, 1997) In addition, these individuals who learn to sew may also be developing skills for a fulfilling, stress-relieving hobby.

Nineteen youth enrolled and twelve completed our first after school Beginning Sewing Program that was held



Emma Dalton

from October 2014–December 2014. Youth attended twice a month and completed the draw string bag and a pair of pajama bottoms. Skills learned in the class included learning the parts of the machine, threading and operating the machine. Other useful skills included ironing, reading a simple patter, and using seam rippers to fix mistakes.



Kayla Helton, Allie Allen, Abbi Jo Clark, Anna Davis.



HICKMAN CO. 2015 HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

THIS WEEK'S DOUBLE FEATURE



William Harris
Son of Lavra Johannis and Charles Harris

Accomplishments:
Possible record deal in Kansas City.

Future Plans:
Become a professional singer



Jade Florence
Daughter of Michelle Farrar and Michael Farrar

Clubs: FBLA, Beta, Science Club, Spanish Club, Gifted and Talented

Accomplishments: Washinton Youth Summit on the Environment, Playing 4 years of varsity volleyball, Chamber Leadership Program, Yearbook Editor, 3.95 GPA, Half Broke Horses Essay Contest Winner, University of Louisville Yarmuth Book Award

Future Plans: To attend the University of Louisville and pursue a major in biology and minor in chemistry. To pursue a career as a biologist.



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